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BRITISH HONDURAS.

Report from Belize—Fruit port.

BELIZE, BRITISH HONDURAS, *April 28, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit report for week ended April 27. The following vessels have cleared from this port:

Date.	Vessel.	Master.	Number of crew.	Destination.	Number of passengers from Belize.	Number of passengers in transit.	Total number of passengers.	Number of pieces baggage disinfected.
Apr. 23	Ss. Chancellor	Whidborne.	38	New Orleans, La..	0	0	0	0
Apr. 26	Ss. Managua...	Gundersen.	16	Mobile.....	0	0	0	0
Do.....	Ss. S. Oteri.....	D. E. Luca	34	New Orleans.....	6	15	21	18
Apr. 27	Ss. Bergen-sen.	Klausen..	16do	0	0	0	0

The sanitary conditions of this port and the adjacent country are good. Four deaths during the week, as follows: Eclampsia, 1; gastro-enteritis, 1; chronic interstitial nephritis, 1, and 1 from premature birth.

Respectfully,

J. GREY THOMAS,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

CHINA.

Plague in Lam Ko district—Smallpox on the U. S. S. Monterey at Canton.

CANTON, CHINA, *March 26, 1901.*

SIR: In my dispatch No. 91, I reported the prevalence of the plague in different portions of my consular district. In further continuation of said report I have the honor to state that over 10,000 deaths from the plague have taken place in the Lam Ko district, within the past six weeks. The recent opening of the rainy season, which will continue until the end of June, was marked by a notable increase in the number of victims and also in the appearance of smallpox in the more crowded portions of Canton. I regret to add that a number of members of the crew of the U. S. S. *Monterey*, Capt. Geo. W. Pigman, commanding, which is now stationed here, were attacked by smallpox, and that 1 of their number, Frank Danbenberger, of Newark, N. J., died at the American Medical Mission Hospital, Canton, on March 24, 1901. I am glad, however, to be able to report that there is no likelihood of the other cases terminating fatally. Frank Danbenberger was buried on March 25, 1901, in the foreign cemetery, a picturesque spot on the banks of the Pearl (or Canton) River, about 5 miles from Shameen.

In response to my request Captain Pigman has made the following official reports on the death of Frank Danbenburger, and on the health conditions on the U. S. S. *Monterey*:

U. S. S. MONTEREY,

Canton, China, March 25, 1901.

SIR: In reply to yours of even date I have to inform you that Frank Danbenberger, landsman, born at Newark, N. J., January 23, 1879, died at the Missionary Hospital, Canton, March 24, 1901, of smallpox. He had no trade.

Respectfully,

GEO. W. PIGMAN,

Captain, United States Navy.

The UNITED STATES CONSUL, *Canton.*

U. S. S. MONTEREY,
Canton, China, March 25, 1901.

SIR: In compliance with your request in letter No. 320, of this date, I can give you the following information:

The U. S. S. *Monterey* was put in quarantine by my order on March 13, there being at that time 13 men suspected of having smallpox or varioloid. At various times since then, there have been 18 men sent to the Canton Hospital for treatment. Of those at the hospital, 1, Frank Danbenberger, landsmen, died on March 24. Six have returned to the ship cured, and the remainder are in a fair way toward recovery.

There have been no new cases on board since March 22, and all conditions seem to indicate that the epidemic is over.

Respectfully,

GEO. W. PIGMAN,
Captain, United States Navy,
Commanding U. S. S. *Monterey*.

The UNITED STATES CONSUL, Canton, China.

I inclose official report of the death of Frank Danbenberger. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Respectfully,

ROBERT M. McWADE,
United States Consul.

Hon. ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.

COLOMBIA.

Reports from Bocas del Toro—Fruit port.

BOCAS DEL TORO, COLOMBIA, April 24, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor herewith to forward a report of the work done at this station for the week ended April 23, 1901, inclusive. The following vessels have cleared from this port during the week, after having been inspected: April 17, Norwegian steamship *Harald*, Halversen, master; crew, 17; no passengers; for Mobile, Ala. April 18, Norwegian steamship *Bodo*, Johannesen, master; crew, 16; no passengers; for Mobile, Ala. April 20, Norwegian steamship *Colombia*, Hertzberg, master; crew, 17; no passengers; for Mobile, Ala. April 21, Norwegian steamship *Banes*, Fronstad, master; crew, 16; no passengers; for Mobile, Ala.

The health of the place and the surrounding territory is very good. Since my last report there has been considerable rainfall, rendering the atmosphere very much cooler and giving the inhabitants an abundant supply of drinking water.

Respectfully,

PAUL OSTERHOUT,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

BOCAS DEL TORO, COLOMBIA, April 30, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor herewith to forward a report of the work done at this station for the week ended April 30, 1901, inclusive. The following vessels have cleared from this port during the week: April 24, Norwegian steamship *Simon Dumois*, Nieuwejaar, master; crew, 15; no passengers; for Mobile, Ala. April 27, Norwegian steamship *Kitty*, Mortinsen, master; crew, 18; no passengers; for New Orleans, La. April 27, Norwegian steamship *Yumuri*, Engsbretzen, master; crew, 16; no passengers; for Mobile, Ala.

The health of this port and surrounding subports in the lagoon continues good.